

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provided for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/885,576
Filing Date	June 20, 2001
First Named Inventor	Lin et al.
Group Art Unit	2872
Examiner Name	Fineman
Attorney Docket Number	00000-2017

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000); 233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under C.F.R. § 1.114.
- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Preliminary Amendment In Conjunction With A Request For Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 And Request For Interview
- ii. ☒ Drawing Amendment w/formal versions of drawings
- iii. ☒ Request for One (1) Month Extension of Time
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- 2.
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103© for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Fees
3. The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ Two (2) Checks in the amount of (1) \$430.00 (\$375.00 for RCE and \$55.00 for EOT) and (2) \$294.00 are enclosed for the following:
- i. ☒ (1) RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e): Small Entity
- ii. ☒ (1) Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17)
- iii. ☒ (2) Added claims fee
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Applicant(s) : Lin et al.  
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Dear Madam:

In the final office action in the above-identified application of February 25, 2003, it was noted that the proposed changes to Figures 2A-2C, submitted with the response to the first office action on December 4, 2002, were acceptable, however, formal drawings were required with the

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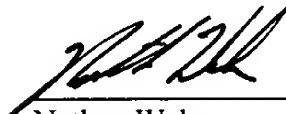
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filing of the next paper. Accordingly, attached are formal versions of the approved amended drawings 2A-2C.

Respectfully submitted,  
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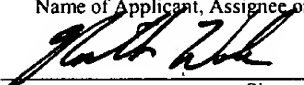
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 AND REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW**

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In response to the Final Office Action dated February 25, 2003, applicant's attorneys submit a request for continued examination (RCE) and this preliminary amendment. Applicants